



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
United States Patent and Trademark Office
Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450
www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NUMBER	FILING OR 371 (c) DATE	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTY. DOCKET NO./TITLE
10/696,750	10/28/2003	William R. Beard	OR-7293

007982
EDGAR SPIELMAN
ALBEMARLE CORPORATION
451 FLORIDA BLVD.
BATON ROUGE, LA 70801

CONFIRMATION NO. 7559

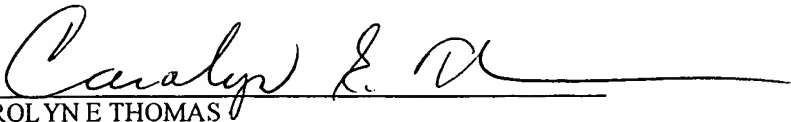


Date Mailed: 01/14/2005

NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF POWER OF ATTORNEY

This is in response to the Power of Attorney filed 11/17/2004.

The Power of Attorney in this application is accepted. Correspondence in this application will be mailed to the above address as provided by 37 CFR 1.33.


CAROLYN E THOMAS
1600 (571) 272-0558

OFFICE COPY